

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A mixing tube for use in a high-pressure fluid jet system, comprising:

a mixing tube body having a bore extending therethrough along a longitudinal axis, and a collar rigidly fixed to an outer surface of the mixing tube in an upper region of the mixing tube, the collar being sized to slide upward through a bore of a cutting head and locate the mixing tube longitudinally in a desired location.

2. (Original) The mixing tube according to claim 1 wherein a distance from a top surface of the mixing tube body to a bottom surface of the collar is 0.02 – 2.0 inch.

3. (Original) The mixing tube according to claim 1 wherein a wall thickness of the collar is 0.01 - 0.2 inch.

4. (Original) The mixing tube according to claim 1 wherein an outer surface of the collar is substantially cylindrical.

5. (Original) The mixing tube according to claim 1 wherein an outer surface of the collar is substantially frusto-conical.

6. (Original) The mixing tube according to claim 1 wherein the collar is surrounded by a nut, an outer surface of the nut being threaded to engage a threaded inner surface of a cutting head.

7. (Cancelled)